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NASHVILLE – Gov. Don Sundquist has issued a proclamation declaring the month of June, 2001, as SAFE JOBS FOR YOUTH MONTH in Tennessee, in support of the combined efforts by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the U.S. Department of Labor to insure safe jobs for Tennessee teens.

“Protecting our youth in the workplace is top priority as we enter the summer months,” Commissioner Michael E. Magill of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development stated. “Students are out there looking for a summer job right now, and we are pleased to partner with the U.S. Department of Labor to promote safe and healthful jobs for our youth.”

According to Magill, youth are rarely aware of potential hazards they may face on the job or the labor laws that are designed to protect teens in the workplace. The Department’s child labor law specialists are committed to help employers, youth, and the general public learn more about child labor laws.

For your information, a copy of Governor Sundquist’s proclamation is enclosed. If you would like a copy of the child labor poster, please contact the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development, Labor Standards Division, at (615)741-2858.

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